

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)**

Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time to file this response to the Office Action mailed September 29, 2005. The extended period is set to expire on Wednesday, March 29, 2006. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a three-month extension of time.

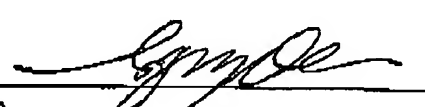
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3), Applicant hereby requests and authorizes the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Should there be any additional charge or fee, including a Request for Continued Examination, an extension of time fee, or other fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (408) 720-8300.

Respectfully submitted,  
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